

(Public Hearing 3-1-05)

Memorandum



Date: January 20, 2005

Agenda Item No. 4(B)

To: Honorable Chairman Joe A. Martinez and Members,
Board of County Commissioners

From: George M. Burgess
County Manager

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Burgess", written over the printed name of George M. Burgess.

Subject: Seastone Townhomes Multipurpose
Special Taxing District

RECOMMENDATION

It is recommended that the Board approve a petition submitted in accordance with Article 1, Chapter 18 of the Code, for creation of the Seastone Townhomes Multipurpose Special Taxing District, which will remain dormant until such time as the Homeowners Association fails to provide the required maintenance services.

BACKGROUND

Commission District:

Nine

Boundaries:

On the North, theo. S.W. 181st Terrace;
On the East, theo. S.W. 108th Court;
On the South, theo. S.W. 183rd Terrace;
On the West, theo. S.W. 109th Avenue.

Number of Parcels:

2 (Tentative plat proposes 40 buildable townhouse units).

Number of Owners:

1

**Number of Owners With Homestead
Exemption Signing Petition:**

None – The petition was submitted by
F.R.V. Development, LLC., the sole
property owner and developer.

Preliminary Public Meeting:

None necessary.

Type of Service:

The creation of this district is requested to maintain the east side of 109th Avenue along the Seastone Townhomes, should the Homeowners Association fail to provide these services. Failure is defined in a non-exclusive easement granted to Miami-Dade County and recorded in the public record.

Required Referendum:

The creation of the district will be subject only to Board of County Commissioners approval; no election will be necessary as 100 percent of the owners signed the petition.

Preliminary Assessment Roll:

In the event that the Homeowners Association fails to provide the services described above, a hearing to adopt an assessment roll will be conducted in accordance with the procedures defined in Chapter 18 of the Code of Miami-Dade County.

Estimated Completion:

October 2005.

ECONOMIC/FISCAL/HOUSING COSTS IMPACT ANALYSIS

Creation of this district will result in no immediate economic impact on the County's budget. The creation of this district is required if maintenance is not provided by the Homeowners Association. Cost savings are realized from processing a district with the developer rather than trying to achieve a consensus from an established community through a special election.

In the event that the special taxing district is implemented, the economic impact on the property owners will be a perpetual annual special assessment for the cost of the maintenance program.

At this time there will be no increase or decrease in County staffing due to this district. Increases in staffing levels, to provide the service requirements created by the Seastone Townhomes Multipurpose Special Taxing District, may be necessary in the future.

Estimated Initial Billing: November following adoption of the district's assessment roll.

	<u>First Year</u>	<u>Second Year</u>
Estimated Total District Cost:	\$10,430	\$5,280
Method Of Apportionment:	Square Footage	
Estimated Annual Assessments		
Cost Per Square Foot:	\$0.0634	\$0.0321
Per Year For A Typical 3,285 Sq. Ft. Townhouse Unit	\$208.27	\$105.45
Per Year For A Typical 4,845 Sq. Ft. Townhouse Unit	\$307.17	\$155.52

The annual assessments shown above are representative of costs for typical townhouse units within this district.

State or Federal grants are not applicable to this special taxing district.

Each maintenance special taxing district is unique due to its geographical boundaries, affected property owners, and level of services to be provided. Adoption of a new district to provide this service is the best and most cost-effective method to achieve this benefit.

As required by the provisions of Section 18-3 (c) of the Code, I have reviewed the facts submitted by the Public Works Director and concur with his recommendation that this district be created pursuant to Section 18-22.1 of the Code.



Deputy County Manager



MEMORANDUM

(Revised)

TO: Honorable Chairman Joe A. Martinez
and Members, Board of County Commissioners

DATE: March 1, 2005

FROM: Robert A. Ginsburg
County Attorney

SUBJECT: Agenda Item No. 4(B)

Please note any items checked.

- ☐ "4-Day Rule" ("3-Day Rule" for committees) applicable if raised
- ☐ 6 weeks required between first reading and public hearing
- ☐ 4 weeks notification to municipal officials required prior to public hearing
- ☐ Decreases revenues or increases expenditures without balancing budget
- ☐ Budget required
- ☐ Statement of fiscal impact required
- ☐ Bid waiver requiring County Manager's written recommendation
- ☐ Ordinance creating a new board requires detailed County Manager's report for public hearing
- ☐ Housekeeping item (no policy decision required)
- ☒ No committee review

Approved _____ Mayor

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Veto _____

Override _____

ORDINANCE NO.

ORDINANCE CREATING AND ESTABLISHING A SPECIAL
TAXING DISTRICT IN MIAMI-DADE COUNTY, FLORIDA,
KNOWN AND DESCRIBED AS SEASTONE TOWNHOMES
MULTIPURPOSE SPECIAL TAXING DISTRICT IN
ACCORDANCE WITH THE PROVISIONS OF CHAPTER 18
OF THE CODE OF MIAMI-DADE COUNTY, FLORIDA; AND
PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE

WHEREAS, the Miami-Dade County Home Rule Amendment to the Florida Constitution (Article VIII, Section 6) grants to the electors of Miami-Dade County power to adopt a home rule charter of government for Miami-Dade County, Florida, and provides that such charter may provide a method for establishing special taxing districts and other governmental units in Miami-Dade County from time to time; and

WHEREAS, the Home Rule Charter adopted by the electors of Miami-Dade County on May 21, 1957, provides that the Board of County Commissioners, as the legislative and the governing body of Miami-Dade County, shall have the power to establish special purpose districts within which may be provided essential facilities and services, including landscape improvement and maintenance programs, and that all funds for such districts shall be provided by service charges, special assessments, or general tax levies within such districts only, and that the County Commission shall be the governing body of all such districts; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to such provisions of the Florida Constitution and the Home Rule Charter, the Board of County Commissioners duly enacted Chapter 18 of the Code of Miami-

Dade County, Florida, providing for the creation and establishment of special taxing districts and prescribing the procedures therefor; and

WHEREAS, in accordance with the provisions of Chapter 18 of the Code of Miami-Dade County, Florida, a petition for the creation of a special taxing district to be known as the SEASTONE TOWNHOMES MULTIPURPOSE SPECIAL TAXING DISTRICT duly signed by 100% of the owners (developer/petitioner) of property within the proposed district, was filed with the Clerk of the County Commission. Such petition prayed for the creation and establishment of a special taxing district for the purpose of providing maintenance of the swale and wall on the east side of S.W. 109th Avenue between theoretical S.W. 181st Terrace and theoretical S.W. 183rd Terrace and including turf, trees and shrubs located within the public domain to be financed solely by means of special assessments levied and collected within the area therein and hereinafter described; and

WHEREAS, upon receipt of such petition the Clerk of the County Commission transmitted a copy thereof to the County Manager who examined it and filed a written report with the Clerk certifying that such petition was sufficient in form and substance and signed and properly presented in accordance with the requirements of Chapter 18 of the Code of Miami-Dade County, Florida; and

WHEREAS, the County Manager, after making appropriate investigations, surveys, plans and specifications, compiled and filed with the Board of County Commissioners his written report and recommendations setting forth the boundaries of the proposed special taxing district, the location, nature and character of the maintenance programs to be provided within the proposed district, an estimate of the cost of maintaining and operating such improvements and/or services, his certification that the proposed district improvements and/or services conform to the master plan of development for the County, and setting forth his recommendations concerning the need for and desirability of the requested district, the ability of the affected property to bear special assessments to fund the cost of maintaining and operating such improvements and/or services, and an estimate of the amount to be assessed against each square foot of the benefited

property within the proposed district, and expressing his opinion that the property to be specially assessed will be benefited in excess of the special assessments to be levied, and the County Manager attached to such report and recommendations a map or sketch showing the boundaries and location of the proposed district. Such "Report and Recommendations" of the County Manager was filed with the Clerk and transmitted to the Chairperson; and

WHEREAS, it appearing to the Board of County Commissioners from such report of the County Manager and other investigations that the district petitioned for would be of special benefit to all property within the proposed boundaries and that the total amount of the special assessments to be levied would not be in excess of such special benefit; the Clerk of the Board certified the place, date and hour for a public hearing on the petition of the owner/developer/petitioner and the report and recommendations of the County Manager -- said hearing was held on Tuesday,

. Copies of the public notice were duly published in a newspaper of general circulation published in Miami-Dade County, Florida, and copies thereof were posted in not less than five (5) public places within the proposed district, and copies thereof were mailed to all owners of taxable real property within the boundaries of the proposed district as their names and addresses appear on the latest Miami-Dade County Real Property Tax Roll; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to said notice, the Board of County Commissioners on Tuesday, , held a public hearing, at which all interested persons were afforded the opportunity to present their objections, if any, to the creation and establishment of the proposed special taxing district; and

WHEREAS, the Board of County Commissioners, upon review and consideration of the report and recommendations of the County Manager and the views expressed by the property owners within the proposed special taxing district, has determined to create and establish such special taxing district in accordance with the report and recommendations of the County Manager, and the provisions of Chapter 18 of the Miami-Dade County Code,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF MIAMI-DADE COUNTY, FLORIDA:

Section 1. In accordance with the provisions of Chapter 18 of the Code of Miami-Dade County, Florida, a special taxing district to be known and designated as the SEASTONE TOWNHOMES MULTIPURPOSE SPECIAL TAXING DISTRICT is hereby created and established in the unincorporated area of Miami-Dade County, Florida.

Section 2. The area or boundaries of this proposed special taxing district are as follows:

Portions of Section 31, Township 55 South, Range 40 East, Miami-Dade County, Florida; being more particularly described as follows:

The W 1/2 of the W 1/2 of the SE 1/4 of the SE 1/4, less the south 290.00 feet and less the north 534.189 feet and less the west 25.00 feet thereof (a.k.a. Seastone Townhomes, Tentative Plat # T-21974).

The area and location of this proposed special taxing district are shown on the map or sketch which is made a part hereof by reference.

Section 3. The service to be provided within this proposed special taxing district will initially consist of the following:

Maintain the east swale and wall on the side of S.W. 109th Avenue between theoretical S.W. 181st Terrace and theoretical S.W. 183rd Terrace, should the Homeowners Association fail to provide these services. Failure is defined in a non-exclusive easement granted to Miami-Dade County and recorded in the public record.

Section 4. The estimated cost to the property owners for the maintenance and operation of the district's improvements and/or services including engineering, administration, billing, collecting and processing for the first year is \$10,430, and \$5,280 for the second year. It is estimated that the cost per assessable square foot of real property within the proposed district

is \$0.0634 for the first year, and \$0.0321 for the second year. The second and succeeding years' assessments will be adjusted from actual experience.

Section 5. It is hereby declared that said improvements and/or services will be a special benefit to all property within the proposed special taxing district and the total amount of special assessments to be levied as aforesaid will not be in excess of such special benefit.

Section 6. Multipurpose Maintenance Services will be provided by the taxing district in accordance with the provisions of this ordinance only if a Homeowners Association and, if applicable, a community development district, have failed to provide these maintenance services and the County has adopted this district's multipurpose maintenance assessment roll. Miami-Dade County, as administrator of this district's maintenance program, is directed to provide service by the most effective and efficient means available on a yearly basis, as detailed in the County Manager's report which is made a part hereof by reference. The Park and Recreation Department is also directed to conduct one meeting annually in the community, inviting all affected district property owners for the purpose of reviewing the district's budget and level of services provided.

Section 7. The County Manager is authorized and directed to cause to be made the maintenance and operation of various public improvements to be installed within the district in accordance with the provisions of this Ordinance.

Section 8. The County Manager is further directed to cause to be prepared and filed with the Clerk of the County Commission a Preliminary Assessment Roll in accordance with the provisions of Section 18-14 of the Code of Miami-Dade County, Florida. As authorized by Section 197.363, Florida Statutes, all special assessments levied and imposed under the provisions of this Ordinance shall be collected, subject to the provisions of Chapter 197, Florida Statutes, in the same manner and at the same time as ad valorem taxes. In accordance with utilization of the ad valorem tax collection method, if such special assessments are unpaid, when due, the potential for loss of title to the property exists.

Section 9. A duly certified copy of this Ordinance shall be filed in the Office of the Clerk of the Circuit Court of Miami-Dade County, Florida, and recorded in the appropriate book of records.

Section 10. The provisions of this Ordinance shall become effective ten (10) days after the date of its enactment, unless vetoed by the Mayor, and if vetoed, shall become effective only upon an override by this Board.

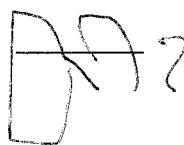
Section 11. This Ordinance does not contain a sunset provision.

PASSED AND ADOPTED:

Approved by County Attorney as
to form and legal sufficiency:

Prepared by:

James K. Kracht

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**REPORT AND RECOMMENDATIONS
ON THE CREATION OF SEASTONE TOWNHOMES
MULTIPURPOSE SPECIAL TAXING DISTRICT
MIAMI-DADE COUNTY, FLORIDA**

Pursuant to Chapter 18 of the Code, and as a result of a detailed investigation of a duly petitioned for special taxing district, the following facts are hereby submitted concerning the creation of Seastone Townhomes Multipurpose Special Taxing District.

1. BOUNDARIES OF THIS DISTRICT

The proposed district is located entirely within a portion of unincorporated Miami-Dade County, and the boundaries, as set forth in the petition, are as follows:

Portions of Section 31, Township 55 South, Range 40 East, Miami-Dade County, Florida; being more particularly described as follows:

The W ½ of the W ½ of the SE ¼ of the SE ¼, less the south 290.00 feet and less the north 534.189 feet and less the west 25.00 feet thereof (a.k.a. Seastone Townhomes, Tentative Plat # T-21974).

The boundaries are shown on the attached plan entitled Seastone Townhomes Multipurpose Special Taxing District and hereinafter referred to as Exhibit A.

2. LOCATION AND DESCRIPTION OF THIS DISTRICT

The creation of this district is requested to provide the services specified below regarding maintenance of the swale area and wall on the east side of S.W. 109th Avenue along the Seastone Townhomes. Service will commence following failure of the Homeowners Association to provide these services, and upon adoption of this district's assessment roll.

3. ESTIMATED COST FOR THIS DISTRICT

The proposed district is to be created to provide maintenance only in the event that the Homeowners Association fails to provide the services as described in Item 2 above. Following commencement of services by the district, any increase in future maintenance functions may be recommended by a majority of the property owners for consideration by Miami-Dade County as administrator. The deletion of services is subject to maintaining a minimum level of services as determined by the Miami-Dade County Public Works

Department.

The County may elect, due to the location and type of maintenance required, to provide landscape maintenance services utilizing an open contract for swale maintenance when significant service cost savings can be realized.

A cost estimate developed by the Public Works Department, based on estimates previously provided by the Park and Recreation Department for similar maintenance taxing districts, indicates the annual cost for the initial maintenance program to be \$4,240 for the first and second years. In addition to that cost, it will be necessary for the County to recover the administrative, processing, billing, and advertising costs incurred in establishing and maintaining the district as provided by Chapter 18 of the Code, as well as provide for contingency and discount costs. This cost is estimated to be \$6,190 the first year and \$1,040 the second year. An annual meeting will be conducted with the owners of real property within the district as an integral part of the annual budget process. This will enable Miami-Dade County, as administrator, to secure suggestions from affected community representatives or association to improve delivery and lower costs of the services provided within the scope of the district's authorized functions as specified in Item 2 above, and to determine the following:

1. Level of service;
2. Areas to be maintained;
3. Approximate effect on cost and rate of assessment for any changes.

Miami-Dade County shall determine the minimum service level (property owners may not delete maintenance altogether).

ESTIMATED ANNUAL COSTS

	<u>First Year</u>	<u>Second Year</u>
Initial Annual Maintenance	\$4,240	\$4,240
Administrative, Processing, Billing and Advertising Costs	4,830	790
Contingency/Discount	<u>1,360</u>	<u>250</u>
Total Estimated Cost to District	\$10,430	\$5,280

The above costs are estimated and will be adjusted annually based on actual experience.

4. CONFORMITY TO THE MASTER PLAN OF MIAMI-DADE COUNTY

The proposed district conforms to and in no way conflicts with the Comprehensive Development Master Plan of Miami-Dade County (see attached memorandum from the Department of Planning and Zoning).

5. RECOMMENDATION CONCERNING THE DESIRABILITY OF THIS DISTRICT

The proposed maintenance program is desirable, needed and, in my opinion, provides special benefits to property within the district exceeding the amount of special assessment to be levied upon implementation of the district.

6. ESTIMATE OF ASSESSMENT AGAINST BENEFITED PROPERTY

This district will be held dormant until such time as stated above. Shown below is an estimate of costs if service were to commence in 2005. These costs are included for report purposes only, actual costs to provide services will be determined and presented to the Board of County Commissioners at the assessment roll hearing. The combined cost of the maintenance program, processing and administrative expenses as shown in Item 3 above is to be paid for by special assessments levied against all benefited properties and is to be apportioned to individual properties within the district on the basis of lot or parcel square footage. The cost per assessable square foot to be assessed for this service is estimated as follows:

	<u>First Year</u>	<u>Second Year</u>
Estimated Total District Cost	\$10,430	\$5,280
Estimated Total Assessable Property Square Footage	164,568	164,568
Estimated Cost Per Square Foot of Property	\$0.0634	\$0.0321

SAMPLE ASSESSMENTS

Per Year For A Typical 3,285 Sq. Ft. Townhouse Unit	\$208.27	\$105.45
Per Year For A Typical 4,845 Sq. Ft. Single Family Lot	\$307.17	\$155.52

The annual assessments shown above are representative of costs for typical townhouse units within this district. These costs are based on the above estimated total assessable property square footage and will be adjusted based on costs of services provided at the time of district implementation.

7. RECOMMENDATION

I recommend that this district be created pursuant to Section 18-22.1 of the Code, as 100% of the property owners have signed the petition and no referendum is required. I also recommend that the County Attorney cause to be prepared an ordinance authorizing the creation of the Seastone Townhomes Multipurpose Special Taxing District. Pursuant to Section 18-22.1 of the Code, the Board shall receive and hear, at a public hearing, remarks by interested persons on this district, and thereafter may adopt such ordinance. Following failure of the Homeowners Association to provide these services, the Board shall adopt the district's assessment roll to fund these services. Adoption of an assessment resolution will enable the Miami-Dade County Tax Collector to provide the funding necessary to reimburse affected County Agencies involved in the creation and establishment of this district, as well as operate and maintain this district. The ordinance creating the district shall take effect ten (10) days after the date of its adoption unless vetoed by the Mayor, and if vetoed, it shall become effective only upon an override by the Board. My office will also be available to

answer any questions from the public or your office in regard to the financial and/or engineering facts of this project. We further recommend that the County Manager forward this report to the Board of County Commissioners after he has reviewed it and concurred with our findings.

Encls: (1) Copy of Petition and Attachments
 (2) Copy of Memo from Department of Planning and Zoning
 (3) Copy of Summary of Report
 (4) District Boundary Map (Exhibit A)

Memorandum



Date: October 4, 2004

To: Kay M. Sullivan, Director
Office of the Clerk of the Board
Attn: Keith Knowles

From: Charles W. Small, Jr.
Acting Chief
Special Taxing Districts Division

Subject: Seastone Townhomes Multipurpose
Special Taxing District

In reference to the subject petition, we hereby certify that, in compliance with Section 18-22.1 of the Miami-Dade County Code, this Department has verified the attached name against the records of the Property Appraisal Department, and has concluded that said petition relates to real property in a new subdivision and the signator is an owner and/or individual signing in his official capacity as representative of the owner of the property in question. We are therefore submitting the following information:

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| 1. | Total number of parcels of land within district boundaries | <u>2</u> |
| 2. | Total number of owners of property within district boundaries | <u>1</u> |
| 3. | Total number of resident owners within district boundaries
(this is a new subdivision area) | <u>0</u> |
| 4. | Total number of signatures on the petition | <u>1</u> |
| 5. | Total number of owners or representatives signing the petition
in an official capacity | <u>1</u> |
| 6. | Percentage of owners or representatives signing the petition
in their official capacity | <u>100%</u> |

Pursuant to Section 18-22.1 of the Code, this is a valid petition.

By copy of this memorandum, I am forwarding this petition for review by the County Attorney for legal sufficiency.

Attachment

cc: James Kracht

MIAMI-DADE COUNTY ATTORNEY'S OFFICE
MEMORANDUM

TO: Charles W. Small, Jr.
Acting Chief, Special Taxing

FROM: James K. Kracht DATE: November 5, 2004
Assistant County Attorney

SUBJECT: Seastone Townhomes Multipurpose
Special Taxing District

Please be advised that I have reviewed the above referenced petition and find it to be legally sufficient, provided that the property covered in the petition is the same as the property described in the opinions of title that were submitted with the petition.

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MIAMI-DADE COUNTY
PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT
SPECIAL TAXING DISTRICTS DIVISION

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Departmental Acceptance Date
(Government Use Only)

Aug 20, 2004
Document Preparation
Date

PETITION FOR MULTIPURPOSE SPECIAL TAXING DISTRICT

To the Board of County Commissioners of Miami-Dade County, Florida:

We, the undersigned property owners, do hereby petition Miami-Dade County, Florida, for the creation of the Special Taxing District(s) required by the respective plat(s) pursuant to Chapter 18 of the Code of Miami-Dade County, Florida, for any or all of the following: installation, operation and maintenance of sodium vapor street lights of an intensity of 9,500 up to 50,000 lumens, mounted on concrete, fiber glass or existing poles; landscape, lake, wall, entrance features and other maintenance services shall be more fully described on the attached Exhibit B. The petitioned for district lies within that portion of the unincorporated area of Miami-Dade County more fully described on the attached Exhibit A.

Petitioned Plat(s) Name(s) Sensitive Town Homes

It is understood and agreed that the boundaries of this district and the type and level of services to be provided by this district will be reviewed by the appropriate County authorities. It is also understood that the street lights and other improvements to be provided shall be in accordance with minimum standards and requirements set forth by the Miami-Dade County Public Works Department.

OWNER'S NAME	OWNER'S ADDRESS	LEGAL DESCRIPTION OF PROPERTY	TAX FOLIO NUMBER
FRV Development LLC	10600 SW 127th St Miami, Florida 33176		30-5031-000-0180 30-5031-000-0460
BY HENRY FORERO, MANAGING MEMBER			
		MORE FULLY	
		DESCRIBED ON	
		THE ATTACHED	
		"EXHIBIT A"	

PLACE NOTARY STATEMENT AND STAMP HERE:

I HEREBY CERTIFY THAT on this day, before me, an officer qualified to take acknowledgments, personally appeared HENRY FORERO, MGR of FRV Development LLC, to me personally known, and who executed the foregoing resolution and acknowledged before me that _____ executed the same for the purpose herein expressed.

WITNESS my hand and seal in the county and state last aforesaid, this 30 day of AUGUST 2004.

President
Henry Forero



Lisseth Amil Lainez
Commission # DD318448
Expires: MAY 11, 2008
Active Notary 1 800 350 5161

EXHIBIT A

EXHIBIT A TO THE PETITION FOR THE PLAT (s)
KNOWN AS SEASTONE Townhomes
DATED 8/20/04 FOR THE CREATION OF SPECIAL
TAXING DISTRICT(s)

INSERT LEGAL DESCRIPTION

THE WEST ½ OF THE WEST ½ OF THE SE ¼ OF THE SE ¼ LESS
THE SOUTH 290 FEET AND LESS THE NORTH 534.189 FEET
AND LESS THE WEST 25 FEET THEREOF IN SECTION 31,
TOWNSHIP 55 SOUTH, RANGE 40 EAST, LYING IN MIAMI-
DADE COUNTY, FLORIDA

CONTAINS +/-3.78 ACRES

EXHIBIT B

PAGE 3 OF 3 OF THE PETITION

EXHIBIT B TO THE PETITION FOR THE SUBDIVISION KNOWN AS
SEASTONE TOWNHOMES
DATED 8/22/04 FOR THE CREATION OF A SPECIAL TAXING DISTRICT
FOR STREET LIGHTING, LANDSCAPE AND LAKE MAINTENANCE.

AREA TO BE MAINTAINED:

The East Side of 109th Avenue along the
Seastone townhomes.

MAINTENANCE SCHEDULE:

- A.) LAWN/GRASS
 - 1.) CUT BIMONTHLY AS REQUIRED
 - 2.) FERTILIZE AND WEED CONTROL AS NEEDED
 - 3.) TREAT FOR PESTS/DISEASES AS NEEDED
- B.) TREES/SHRUBS
 - 1.) TRIM, FERTILIZE AND TREAT FOR PESTS AS NEEDED
 - 2.) REPLACE AS REQUIRED
- C.) WALL MAINTENANCE
 - 1.) Maintenance and repair of the exterior wall



MEMORANDUM

To: Aristides Rivera, P.E., P.L.S., Director
Public Works Department

Date: January 15, 2002

From: *Diane O'Quinn Williams*
Diane O'Quinn Williams, Director
Department of Planning and Zoning

Subject: Street Lighting, Maintenance of
Landscape, Walls Adjacent to
Double-Frontage Lots and Lakes
Special Taxing Districts

Section: As Required
District: As Required
Council: As Required

Effective September 5, 2001, all tentative plats in the unincorporated area of Miami-Dade County submitted to the Land Development Division of the Public Works Department, must be accompanied by a properly executed petition for all applicable special taxing districts including, but not limited to street lights, maintenance of landscape, walls adjacent to double frontage lots, entrance features and lakes. Final Plats will not be presented to the Board of County Commissioners for consideration until the applicable special taxing districts are created, and all fees have been paid. In that regard, to ensure expeditious processing, this Memorandum may serve as approval for certain future special taxing district application requests as being consistent with the intent and purpose of the adopted 2005-2015 Comprehensive Development Master Plan (CDMP). Policy 4A – Capital Improvement Element states: Appropriate funding mechanisms will be adopted and applied by Miami-Dade County in order to assure the fiscal resources to maintain acceptable levels of service. Such funding mechanisms include special tax districts, municipal taxing service units, local option taxes, user fees, local gas tax, general obligation bond, impact fees, and special purpose authorities, or others as appropriate and feasible (Adopted Components as Amended through April 2001, page IX-10). The provision for services over and above minimum for neighborhoods and communities may be accomplished through the special taxing district as may be prescribed by the code.

The Department of Planning and Zoning (DP&Z) has no objection to a blanket approval with condition to establish future special taxing districts as limited to requests for street lighting, landscape maintenance, walls adjacent to double-frontage lots and lake maintenance districts. The previously noted special taxing districts may be established on the condition that the DP&Z review all landscape maintenance districts for compliance with plantings in public rights-of-way and lake maintenance districts for consistency with Landscape Code (Chapter 18A) Section 18A-6(L) Storm Water Retention/Detention Areas.

DO'QW: GA: TBS

SUMMARY OF THE REPORT
ON THE CREATION OF SEASTONE TOWNHOMES
MULTIPURPOSE SPECIAL TAXING DISTRICT
MIAMI-DADE COUNTY, FLORIDA

A petition submitted to Miami-Dade County for the creation of a multipurpose special taxing district to be known as the Seastone Townhomes Multipurpose Special Taxing District was presented in accordance with the requirements of Section 18-22.1 of the Code of Miami-Dade County.

The proposed district is located entirely within unincorporated Miami-Dade County, Florida, and its boundaries are set forth as follows:

On the North, theo. S.W. 181st Terrace;
On the East, theo. S.W. 108th Court;
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The boundaries are shown on the attached plan entitled Seastone Townhomes Multipurpose Special Taxing District and hereinafter referred to as Exhibit A.

The service to be provided under the district will consist initially of a maintenance program to maintain the east side of 109th Avenue along the Seastone Townhomes. Service will commence following failure of the District's Homeowners Associations and/or Community Development District to provide these services, and upon adoption of this district's assessment roll.

Total cost of this maintenance program will be prorated on the basis of lot square footage. The cost per square foot to be assessed for this service is estimated as follows:

	<u>First Year</u>	<u>Second Year</u>
Total Initial Estimated Cost to District	\$10,430	\$5,280
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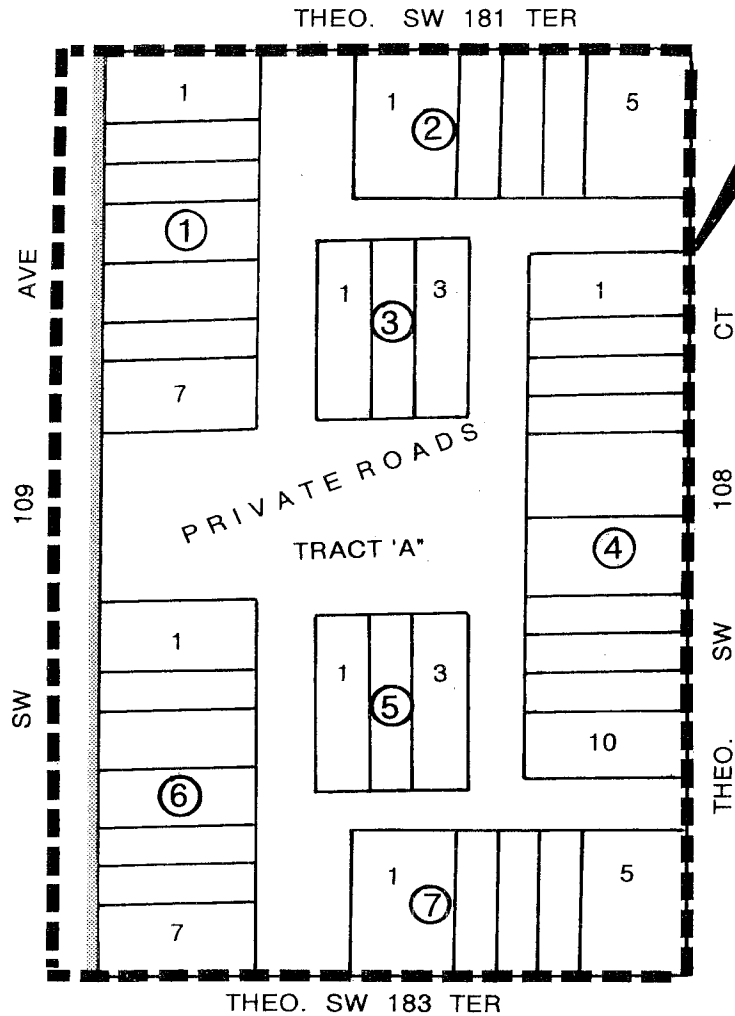
These costs are based on a preliminary estimate of 164,568 total square feet and will be adjusted from actual experience.

The proposed improvement conforms with the Comprehensive Development Master Plan of Miami-Dade County and will provide benefits to all property within the district exceeding the total amount of special assessments to be levied.

The proposed district will be created and established by the Board of County Commissioners pursuant to Section 18-22.1 of the Code of Miami-Dade County. No referendum is required therefore, it is the responsibility of interested persons to express their views for or against this proposed district at the formal public hearing.

Enclosure: Exhibit A

DISTRICT BOUNDARIES



SEASTONE TOWNHOMES

MULTIPURPOSE SPECIAL TAXING DISTRICT (DORMANT)

SEE ATTACHED SHEET FOR SERVICE
DESCRIPTION AND LOCATIONS

(AREAS TO BE MAINTAINED SHOWN SHADED)

EXHIBIT B

SEASTONE TOWNHOMES

AREA TO BE MAINTAINED:

The East Side of 109th Avenue along the
Seastone townhomes.

MAINTENANCE SCHEDULE:

A.) LAWN/GRASS

- 1.) CUT BIMONTHLY AS REQUIRED
- 2.) FERTILIZE AND WEED CONTROL AS NEEDED
- 3.) TREAT FOR PESTS/DISEASES AS NEEDED

B.) TREES/SHRUBS

- 1.) TRIM, FERTILIZE AND TREAT FOR PESTS AS NEEDED
- 2.) REPLACE AS REQUIRED

C.) WALL MAINTENANCE

- 1.) Maintenance and repair of the exterior wall